form;

wherein the dosage form has a crushing strength in the range 6.5-15Kp and a disintegration time of less than 10 minutes,

provided that the ibuprofen medicament does not contain a calcium salt of ibuprofen in combination with an alkali metal salt of ibuprofen.

11. (Twice Amended) A method of preparing a dosage form according to claim 3 comprising the steps of:

mixing a carrier material with the ibuprofen medicament under dry conditions, wherein the carrier material comprises 3-20% alkali metal carbonate or bicarbonate by weight of the dosage form, 10-50% compressible filler component by weight of the dosage form and up to 15% of a disintegrating component by weight of the dosage form to obtain a mixture and then compressing said mixture.

16. (Twice Amended) A method of obtaining an onset-hastened analgesic and/or anti-pyretic response comprising the oral administration of a non-effervescent compressed solid dosage form comprising 35% or more by weight of a racemic ibuprofen medicament in homogeneous admixture with a carrier material comprising

i) a compressible filler component combined with a disintegrating component, and

ii) 3-20% solid alkali metal carbonate or bicarbonate by weight of the dosage form,

wherein the dosage form has a crushing strength in the range 6.5-15 Kp and a disintegration time of less than 10 minutes,

provided that the ibuprofen medicament does not include a calcium salt of ibuprofen in combination with an alkali metal salt of ibuprofen.

20. (Twice Amended) A process to prepare a dosage form according to claim 1, which comprises combining a carrier material comprising 8-80% compressible filler component by weight of the carrier 10-20% disintegrating component by weight of the carrier, 8-40% alkali metal carbonate or bicarbonate by weight of the carrier, with 35% or more by eight of the dosage form of the ibuprofen medicament to form a homogeneous solid mixture under dry conditions optionally with other tabletting excipients and compressing the mixture into one or more solid dosage forms.

26. (Twice Amended) A solid formulation having a layer comprising a composition comprising a racemic ibuprofen medicament in homogeneous admixture with a carrier material, the racemic ibuprofen medicament being present to an extent of 35% or more by weight of the composition and the carrier material comprising a compressible filler component combined with a disintegrating component characterised in that the carrier material comprises 3-20% solid alkali metal carbonate or bicarbonate by weight of the dosage form,

wherein the composition is capable of compression to provide a layer having a crushing strength in the range 6.5-15Kp and a disintegration time of less than 10 minutes.